

Past Desert Peaks Award Winners

1998

Public/Private Partnership – Two recipients: Papago Salado; West Valley Fine Arts

Distinguished Service – Four recipients: Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Glendale; Gerald Abmont, Heatherbrae Neighborhood Association; Xavier Brizar, Pioneer Ford; and Sara Moya, former councilmember of Paradise Valley.

Regional Partnership – McDowell Mountain and Sonoran Desert Preservation

Regional Excellence – Mayor Mark Schnepf, Queen Creek

Employee of the Year – Audrey Evans, Maricopa Association of Governments

1999

Public Partnership – Automatic Aid Agreement (Apache Junction, Chandler, Gilbert, Guadalupe, Mesa, Phoenix, Tempe)

Public/Private Partnership – WESTMARC

Distinguished Service – Ginny Hildebrand, Executive Director, Association of Arizona Food Banks

Regional Partnership – Williams Gateway Airport

Regional Excellence – Mary Lynn Kasunic, Director, Area Agency on Aging, Region One

2000

Public Partnership – Mesa Gang Intervention Project

Public Private Partnership – SAFE KIDS Coalition

Distinguished Service – Norris Nordvold, City of Phoenix

Regional Partnership – Intergovernmental Agreement – Revenue Sharing (Gilbert, Queen Creek)

Regional Excellence – Michael S. Ellegood, Flood Control District of Maricopa County

2001

Public Partnership – New Life Center

Public Private Partnership – Two recipients: MAG Regional Domestic Violence Council; And SMILE (Safety Magic in Law Enforcement)

Distinguished Service – Two recipients: Mayor John Keegan, Peoria; Jim Wortham

Regional Partnership – Valleywide Recycling Partnership

Regional Excellence – The Honorable Frank X. Gordon

2002

Public Partnership – Westside Consortium

Public/Private Partnership – Two recipients: River Recycling Materials Recovery Facility; Valley Bike Week

Professional Service (replaced Distinguished Service) – Gene D'Adamo

Regional Partnership – Regional Plan Review Program

Regional Excellence – Mary Jo Waits

2003

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